



# High School Equivalency Program (HEP)



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**High School Equivalency Program**



# What is HEP?



The High School Equivalency Program (HEP) is a federal, migrant education program designed to meet the special needs of migrant and seasonal farmworkers in pursuit of a General Educational Development (GED) diploma. The objective of HEP is to assist these students in preparation and successful completion of GED exams. HEP will provide assistance for placement in universities, colleges, vocational institutions, military services, other post-secondary activities or career positions. HEP is funded by the U.S Department of Education, Office of Migrant Education.





# MSU HEP Services.



- GED preparation in all subject areas
- Academic & vocational counseling
- On-campus housing and meals
- All books and class materials
- One-on-one and group tutoring
- Career advisement & exploration
- Post-HEP assistance & planning
- Extracurricular activities for personal and group development.







# MSU HEP Eligibility Requirements



- *Migrant or seasonally employed agricultural workers or whose immediate family who (one or more)*
- Are at least 18 years of age or over, or beyond the age of compulsory school attendance.
- Do not have a secondary school diploma or its equivalent and are not currently enrolled in school.
- Have worked a minimum of 75 days in agricultural related employment in the last 24 months.
- Are eligible or have participated in a Migrant Education Program Title I, Part C.
- Are eligible for service under the Workforce Investment Act, Section 167 Program.
- Will take and pass an admissions pre-test.





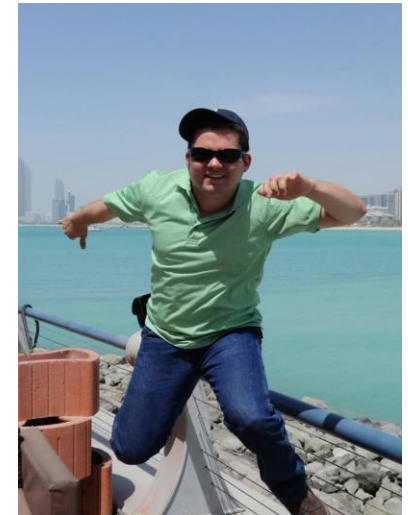
# MSU HEP Fact's Overview



- **MSU HEP to date, has served ~ 825 migrant and seasonal farm worker students Since 2002**
- **Surpassing federal GED passing rates (Federal rate – 69%)**
- **Over 51 MSU HEP graduates have attended MSU CAMP**
- **An increasing number of students have attended community colleges + universities (over 100)**
- **MSU HEP is funded to serve 70 eligible, migrant and seasonal farm worker students per year.**



# MSU HEP Challenges & Success Stories





# How to Apply to MSU HEP.



Each applicant must complete the following:

1. Admissions application.
2. Pass an admissions GED pre-test.
3. Provide proof of Agricultural Work during the past 24 months.
4. Pre-Entrance Interview

The MSU HEP application can be found on our website at [www.mss.msu.edu/hep](http://www.mss.msu.edu/hep)

For more information contact:

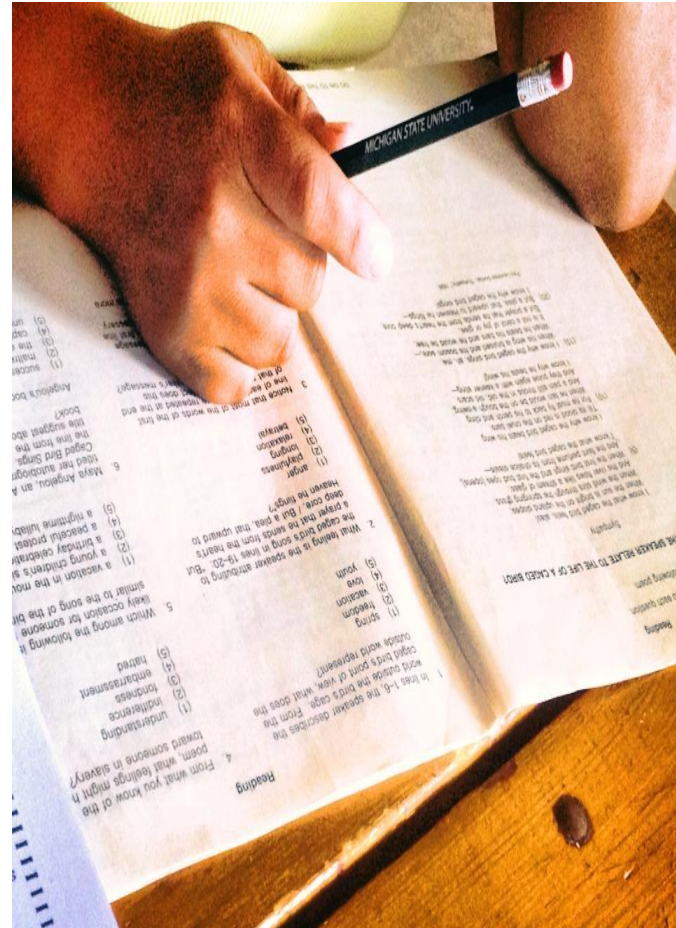
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